

## Alexandria Gazette.

MONDAY EVENING, AUG. 21, 1899

## LOCAL MATTERS.

can rise tomorrow at 5:25 a. m. and set at 6:49. High water at 6:54 a. m. and 2:22 p. m.

**WEATHER PROBABILITIES.**—For this week, fair to light; Tuesday probably showing some clouds; cooler in the afternoon; winds mostly southerly.

**THE IMPRESSION IT PRODUCED.**—On the night of the lynching of Benjamin Thomas, the young negro man, who, it was alleged, had acted in a questionable manner toward a little white girl, a drummer from Chicago, who had been in the South before, was at the time in this city. At the time the mob were pulling Thomas by the neck over the cobble stones the Chicagoan over the cobble stones the Chicagoan walked leisurely to the corner of King and Royal streets. The "procession" was passing at the time, and the drummer, who had been unwearied of what was going on, was naturally shocked to see a human figure, with a face about his neck, the clothing torn from the body from which the skin had been peeled, and the body covered with lacerations by its passage over gutters and cobble stones. When the drummer realized that he had often read, in a scene of which, entered his mind, he turned from the sight, entered his hotel and wrote a letter to his firm describing it. In the letter, among other observations, he stated that he had that day put his foot for the first time upon the sacred soil of Virginia, and to witness such a scene at the threshold of the Southern country had had its effect, as there was no telling what he would see before he reached Florida—his objective point. The spectacle in a sense window which was filled with crutches next morning, seemingly in anticipation of a demand after the riot, also had a depressing effect upon the stranger.

**THE SEQUENT CENTENNIAL.**—Headquarters of the committee on the proposed sequel-centennial of Alexandria were formally opened this morning in the rooms of the Business Men's League, at King and Washington streets. A transparency has been placed on the front of the building, and a 30-foot American flag will be thrown to the breeze. The various sub-committees have been called to meet during the week, and those interested in the proposed event are getting down to hard work. The finance committee reports substantial contributions, and the proposed celebration is regarded as an assured success. The committee on secret organizations is preparing a list of the societies which will be invited to participate in the demonstration, and the invitation will be forwarded at the earliest possible date so as to afford the different organizations ample time in which to arrange for the trip to this city. Considerable interest is being manifested by the citizens generally in the proposed celebration, and it is the intention to make this event the most memorable in the history of Alexandria. The committee on entertainment promises to handsomely provide for a visiting organization, and the visiting members of the press will be looked after by a committee composed of local newspaper men.

## WATERMELONS AND CANTALOUPE.

The supply of watermelons and cantaloupes in this city has of late been rather in excess of the demand, and prices have consequently been low. Many of both species, however, have not been satisfactory to housekeepers, and cantaloupes, especially, in many instances, have been disappointing when opened. Many persons have wondered how to distinguish a ripe watermelon and a sweet cantaloupe. In the selection of the former it is said if you notice that the green rind has a sort of dusty cast over it you can conclude that the melon is ripe. Also if you find that the white part of the melon, the under side, on which it has been lying, has a yellowish tinge it is almost sure to be properly ripened. There is nothing in thumping melons to judge of the ripeness. As to cantaloupes, the rough kinds are generally the best, although there are some exceptions. If the cantaloupe has been allowed to remain on the vine until it has ripened sufficiently you will notice that the stem has pulled out clean. If part of the stem remains on, or if there are indications that it did not come out easily, you can be sure the cantaloupe has been pulled too green to ripen properly. You can tell as to the probable sweetness largely by the weight. The heavy ones are generally sweet and juicy and have thick meat.

## RAID ON GAMBLERS.

Sheriff Palmer, of the county, on Saturday afternoon made a raid on the alleged gambling establishment located at Jackson City, at the south end of the Long Bridge, and arrested five persons. The warrants were issued by W. P. Varney, a justice of the peace at Del Ray. The complainant is R. E. Hardwick, a Washingtonian. Sheriff Palmer visited Jackson City Friday evening, but was unable to find the persons wanted. On Saturday with his deputies he succeeded in apprehending Cotton Nelson, James Wells, Frank Foster, Washington Saunders and Yates Spear. No games were found in operation, and no gambling paraphernalia was captured. Acting Commonwealth's Attorney C. C. Carlin was apprised of the capture. The men were taken before Justice Varney in the afternoon for a hearing. Wells and Cotton Nelson were held in \$500 bond for their appearance on September 6 before Justice Varney. Foster, Spear and Saunders were dismissed, no witness appearing against them.

## POLICE COURT.

**Mayor G. L. Simpson presiding.**—The following cases were disposed of this morning: W. D. Clibbester, charged with disorderly conduct, fined \$5 collateral. Ann Lyons, charged with disorderly conduct, was fined \$2.50. Jessie Thomas, colored, charged with assault and beating Martha Hughes, was fined \$5. Harry Shirley and Arthur Shirley, colored, charged with disorderly conduct and fighting, were dismissed. James Lucas, charged with disorderly conduct and fighting, was fined \$5. Josephine Lee, colored, charged with defacing the property of Rebecca Quill, was fined \$5. John Jasper and Larkin Smith, colored, charged with disorderly conduct and throwing missiles in the street, Jasper was fined \$10 and Smith was dismissed. George Ford, colored, charged with depositing a nuisance within the city limits, was dismissed upon promising to remove same. Benjamin Lyles, colored, charged with assault and beating Rose Lyles, was fined \$5. Night Report.—Last night was clear and warm. Five prisoners and one lodger were at the station house.

## ATTEMPTED TO KILL HIS WIFE.

Considerable excitement was caused throughout the city between ten and eleven o'clock this morning by a report, which traveled like wild fire, to the effect that Mr. John H. Greene, a well known lawyer living on King street near Fayette, had killed his wife with a hatchet. The facts in the case when ascertained, however, showed that the matter had been greatly exaggerated, and that instead of having been killed Mrs. Greene's wounds, while serious, were in no wise dangerous. It seems that Mr. Greene's nervous system has been under a severe strain for some time, so much so that at times his gloomy reveries rendered him capable of imagining the most absurd things. This morning his cogitations caused him to suppose he was about to fight a duel with his wife, and that the conflict was inevitable, as pistols had been ordered. With this hallucination in his head, he procured a hatchet and seized his wife, who was the only person in the room with him at the time. The terrified woman screamed and endeavored to disarm her husband, but she was but a child in his grasp, and in the scuffle she received two cuts from the hatchet—one on the forehead and another on the back of the head. Mrs. Greene's screams had in the meantime attracted the attention of neighbors, among whom was Mr. John Coleman, who ran into the house and wrested the hatchet from Mr. Greene's hand before he could again use it. The injured lady was subsequently taken into a neighbor's house and Dr. Jones was summoned. Upon examining the wounds the doctor found that Mrs. Greene had made a fortunate escape, as her injuries were not of a dangerous nature. Her husband had in the meantime quieted down considerably, although he was still possessed of the delusion that he and his wife were destined to have a hostile meeting according to the code. Lieutenant Smith, with Officers Spinks, Hall and Deane, were soon on the premises, and in a few minutes' time numbers of persons had assembled in front of the house. Later Chief Webster reached the scene and he directed that Mr. Greene be taken in custody until a commitment could be prepared. Lieutenant Smith accordingly placed him in a buggy and conveyed him to jail, where he will be kept for a few days, or until he resumes his normal condition. Mrs. Greene is a daughter of Mr. Owen Carroll, of this city, and the many friends of both families deplore the sad affair.

**PROMOTION.**—Major Charles Hine, trainmaster of the Chicago division of the Big Four Railroad, has resigned that position to accept a better position in the railroad world—the superintendency of the Endless, Fort Wayne and Western. He enters upon his new duties September 1. Major Hine is a Virginian, his father was Major O. E. Hine, of Vienna, Fairfax county, where Major Hine, jr., was born. The young man received an appointment to West Point by the late Hon. John S. Barbour, then congressman from this district. He graduated with honors in 1891, and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Sixth infantry, and stationed at Fort Thomas, near Cincinnati. He managed to find time while there to take the course at the Cincinnati Law School, and was admitted to the bar in 1893. But he had become enamored of railroad work, and in 1895 resigned his commission to become a brakeman on the Big Four.

**IDENTIFIED THE STRANGER.**—A few days ago a stranger arrived in this city, professing to be an attaché of a telephone company. He made himself familiar with the proprietor of the hotel where he stopped and was half-fellow well-met with all with whom he became acquainted. He expatiated much on his prowess and exploits, professed to be the sine qua non of the company he represented, &c., &c. He finally requested his host to identify him as he desired to draw a check at the bank for twenty dollars, which the boniface in a thoughtless moment did. The stranger suddenly vanished after the transaction, and when the check (which was on a Washington bank) was presented for payment it was found to be worthless. The host, of course, had to make good the twenty dollars.

**PLANS FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT.**—Messrs. E. E. Downham, chairman; M. B. Harlow, Clarence C. Leadbeater, Charles King and Isaac Eichberg, the committee of business men appointed to receive and select a plan for street improvements, under the proposition of Mr. J. M. Hill, will meet tomorrow night and open the plans submitted. The committee will select the best plan and will then refer it to the council committee on streets. The street committee will embody the plan in a report to the City Council. The person whose plan is selected by the business men's committee will receive \$50 from Mr. Hill, and if the plan is adopted by Council he will receive \$100 additional.

**WILKES STREET.**—This thoroughfare from Washington street to Royal has had practically no repairs made on it for many years. There are no gutters on this portion of the street and on three or four squares there are no payments. The tan yard railroad tracks are now no longer used, and people whose lot it is to live on that street suggest that while the city is engaged in graveling and grading that the abandoned track could be removed and Wilkes street, at a small cost, be placed in a more satisfactory and presentable condition.

**A WHITE MAN THE DEFENDANT.**—One day last week a white man named Carter, living near Bull Run, contiguous to Manassas, attained unenviable notoriety among his neighbors by his untoward conduct toward a small colored girl who is blind. The authorities were notified of his act and a warrant for his arrest was issued. When the case was about to be examined into the charge against the man was withdrawn, he having previously made suitable apologies, promises and reparation to the child's relatives.

**A HOT SUNDAY.**—The weather yesterday was very hot, the mercury in the thermometer standing at 96°. In the afternoon there were but few people on the streets. The churches in the morning had about the average mid-August congregations, but at night there was a decided falling off in the attendance. The temperature today has been high and those compelled to move about the city have suffered from the heat.

**JOHN ROBINSON'S CIRCUS.**—"Beautiful beyond expression" is the tribute of all who have witnessed the superb scenic triumph of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba with John Robinson's great shows which appear here next Tuesday.

## PERSONAL.—Mr. and Mrs. Edward

Schultz left yesterday for Madison, W. Va., where they will spend two weeks with relatives. Miss Margaret Graham left Danville Saturday for an extended trip to Alexandria, Washington and Carlin Springs. Among those who took part in a German at Bedford City last Thursday was Miss Anna Leadbeater, of this city. Miss Hallie C. Chichester, who has been visiting Miss Fannie Smith, in this city, has returned to Bethesda, Md., where she will spend a short time with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Lewis.

Mrs. H. F. Robertson is visiting friends at Erie, Pa.

Mrs. Walten, after spending a pleasant visit at Pen Mar, has returned.

Mr. Harry F. Mann has gone to Columbia Beach.

Mr. Geo. Monroe left today on a trip to Niagara Falls.

Mr. Louis Eichberg left today for Atlantic City where he will spend some time.

Officers Bettis, Knight and Beach and Mr. Robert Evans left yesterday for a ten days' cruise on the lower river.

Miss Cora Webster and Mrs. M. R. O'Sullivan left this morning for a visit to Atlantic City.

Messrs. Horace Swain and Prentiss Bowie, of this city, have gone to New York and accepted positions on the Sun in that city.

Miss Florence Davidson is visiting at Markham.

Mr. Joseph Batchelor, of St. Joseph, Mo., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Edgar Warfield, at her home on south Fairfax street.

"J. N.," who shortly after the war between the States harangued crowds in this city, is said to be alive and still endeavoring to "hit the preser."

Mr. B. Stuart Hunter, son of Maj. Robert W. Hunter, of this city, has accepted a position with a civil engineer corps near Pittsburgh, Pa.

**AN ABUNDANT CROP.**—Alexandrians are often jeered at because grass is seen in some of our streets, but while grass may be unsightly, there is another spontaneous growth more so, and certainly more deleterious to health. People passing down Prince street, between Lee and Union, today had their olfactory nerves disturbed by the smell of something which resembled unsound fish or rotten brine while a vacant lot on the south side of the street was packed with jimson weeds extending to the pavement. The crop is abundant and should be reaped. This is not the only place in the city which is covered by this rank growth, and if allowed to wither or to remain until frost it will be the cause of much sickness.

**BROKE HIS LEG.**—James Jackson, a 15-year-old negro boy, who lives in this city, and is ambitious to become a jockey, decided a few days ago to go to New York and seek employment. He concealed himself in an empty car of a Pennsylvania Railroad freight train at this place and made the journey without any mishap until the train reached Jersey City yesterday morning. As the train was pulling into the yard, Jackson, who had fallen asleep near the open door, rolled out. His leg was broken, and he was severely bruised. He was taken to the City Hospital.

## LOCAL BREVITIES

The thermometer today at 4 o'clock registered 91°.

The W. C. T. U. will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at their headquarters, 404 Duke street.

The colored camp meeting at Gum Springs, Fairfax county, was attended by many persons from this city yesterday.

A small brass key was picked up on lower King street this morning and the owner can obtain it at the station house.

The Seventh Day Adventists, who have been in camp at Hume's grove for the past week, broke camp this morning.

The fifteen-year-old daughter of William Skillman of 716 North Columbus street, died Saturday afternoon of pneumonia.

Every act in the monster programme as seen in John Robinson's great circus, is a revelation to the people. The show will be here on the 29th.

The funeral of Catharine, the infant child of William Bawner, which died Saturday, took place yesterday afternoon from the home of its father, in West End.

John Tinney, colored, died at Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, Saturday afternoon, from the effects of a kick inflicted by Joseph Hall, colored, who has been arrested.

Four cars were wrecked and set on fire by jumping the track in the Southern Railway yards last night. No one was hurt and the flames were soon extinguished.

A horse attached to the delivery wagon of the People's Bakery ran away on King street this morning and broke one of the wheels from the wagon before it could be stopped.

A petition in voluntary bankruptcy was filed this afternoon by Clarence A. Hartman, of Washington, who states his occupation to be manager of a printing company. His summary of debts is given as \$28,274.15.

George Harrison, a carpenter, thirty-one years of age and a native of Frederickburg, fell from a four-story window at his home, 1135 Ninth street, northwest Washington, about 10 o'clock Saturday night, and though seriously injured will live.

Some gentlemen from this city who were at Bay Ridge yesterday report that an old man from Washington, whose name could not be ascertained, was assaulted there and rendered unconscious. He was carried back to Washington and was still senseless when last seen.

A gentleman of this city who has been the fortunate possessor of a watch chain charm—a tiger's claw from India and mounted with gold—was so unlucky yesterday as to lose the gift from a naval officer the owner will pay a suitable reward if left at this office.

Abraham Beldman, a young 7th street, Washington, clothing merchant, was found dead this morning in a room in the apartments over his place of business, 1240 Seventh street, which he occupied with his wife and two small children, having committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas. Ill health, it is said, caused the deed.

Lennie, the little son of Mr. M. F. Padgett, fell this morning at his home, corner of Duke and Royal streets, and struck his head on a sewing machine and was seriously injured. Dr. Gorman, who was summoned, rendered surgical assistance. The unfortunate child, who is subject to epilepsy, some time ago fell on a hot stove and seriously burned his face.

A spirited controversy is in progress at Falls Church over the Sunday law prohibiting the sale of soda water, cigars, tobacco, candy, &c. The fight against it is being led by Councilman J. B. Purser and he has the sympathies of many who at first advocated its enactment. The town council, the mayor, and the newspaper have been drawn into the controversy.

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Flour Extra..... 2 75 a 3 15  
Family..... 3 50 a 3 90  
Fancy brand..... 4 00 a 4 50  
Wheat, longberry..... 0 67 a 0 68  
Mixed..... 0 66 a 0 67  
Fultz..... 0 67 a 0 68  
Damp and tough..... 0 55 a 0 60  
Corn, white..... 0 43 a 0 44  
Yellow..... 0 42 a 0 43  
Corn Meal..... 0 40 a 0 41  
Rye..... 0 48 a 0 50  
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Butter, Virginia, packed..... 0 12 a 0 15  
Choice Virginia, new..... 0 14 a 0 18  
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## Alexandria Market, Aug. 21.

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Chicago Cattle Market, Aug. 19.—Cattle.—There were not enough cattle offered to make a market, and prices for all grades were practically nominal; the cattle offered were disposed of at prices advanced from yesterday.

Hogs.—Hogs advanced about 5c, the demand being good and the supply small; heavy hogs sold at \$4.25-\$4.40, mixed lots \$4.50-\$4.60, light \$4.60-\$4.95; pigs sold at \$3.60-\$4.35 and culled at \$2.50-\$4.20. Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts of sheep and lambs were small, as is usual on Saturday, and the market was almost nominal; sheep sold at \$1.75-\$4.50 for poor to best, Western range sheep bringing \$2.15-\$4.10; lambs sold at \$3.25-\$6.25, chiefly at \$5.50.

Philadelphia Cattle Market, Aug. 19.—Beef Cattle were active for good grades, common grades dull and lower. Quotations were as follows: Extra 5 1/2c, good 5 1/4c, medium 5 1/2c, common 4 3/4c per lb. Sheep and Lambs were in fair request and fairly held. The quotations were as follows: Extra 5 1/2c, good 4 3/4c, medium 4 1/2c, common 2 3/4c per lb. Lambs \$5.75 per 100 lbs. Hogs were strong at \$4.75-\$4.90 for Westerns, and \$4.60-\$4.75 per lb for other grades. Fat cows were in active demand at \$2.40-\$2.45 per lb. Thin cows were dull at \$2.15-\$2.20 per head. Veal calves were steady at \$5.75-\$6 per lb. Milch cows were unchanged at \$25 to \$50 per head. Dressed Bees were active \$4.50-\$4.75 per lb.

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